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Early Detection: Advances in Artificial Intelligence in Imaging



Developing Imaging AI Biomarkers in Oncology: Opportunities and Challenges

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AI/ML is being used widely throughout the entire patient journey



Cervical Cancer Screening (collaboration with NCI)

Cervical cancer is a leading cause of cancer morbidity and mortality worldwide

Persistent infections with high-risk human papilloma virus (HPV) strains remain the strongest risk factor for subsequent neoplastic growth

Screening of the cervix by visual inspection after application (VIA) of acetic acid

ML algorithm for analysis of images of the cervix, in conjunction with HPV testing can be used in global screening programs





Sources: Arbyn, Marc, et al. The Lancet Global Health 8.2 (2020): e191-e203.

MOONSHOT INITATIVE

Candidate single step screening + primary triage



Slide: PAVE team

Candidate secondary triage

HUMAN PAPILLOMAVIRUS AND AUTOMATED VISUAL EVALUATION

> Al-based Automated visual evaluation with a mobile image capture device





Desai K. et al. Infect Agent Cancer 2020

Combined with treatment



Battery-operated point-ofcare ablation devices



Mobile LLETZ devices

PAVE risk stratification



*In case of multiple infections, the result will be hierarchical, as HPV16 else HPV18/45 else HPV3/33/35/52/58 else HPV39/51/56/59/68. For analyses with limited numbers, the two middle categories (HPV18/45 group and HPV 31/33/35/52/58 group) can be combined, leading to a three-part scale (HPV16, intermediate, low). The expectation is that the ordinality of the scale will remain constant across settings but the absolute risk of precancer+ may vary by population characteristics.

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REPRODUCIBLE AND CLINICALLY TRANSLATABLE DEEP NEURAL NETWORKS FOR CERVICAL SCREENING

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Assessing generalizability of an AI-based visual test for cervical cancer screening

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It is becoming *really easy* to create an AI algorithm today!



Title

Performance of an AI algorithm for the diagnosis of retinopathy of prematurity

Abstract

Retinopathy of prematurity (ROP) is a potentially blinding eye disorder that affects premature infants. Early diagnosis and treatment of ROP is critical for preserving vision and preventing blindness. In recent years, artificial intelligence (AI) algorithms have shown promise for the automated diagnosis of ROP. In this study, we evaluated the performance of an AI algorithm for the diagnosis of ROP using a dataset of fundus images from premature infants.

We trained a convolutional neural network (CNN) on a dataset of 5,000 fundus images from premature infants with and without ROP. We evaluated the performance of the CNN on a separate dataset of 1,000 fundus images from premature infants, including 500 images with ROP and 500 images without ROP. We measured the sensitivity, specificity, positive predictive value (PPV), negative predictive value (NPV), and accuracy of the CNN for the diagnosis of ROP.

Our results showed that the CNN achieved a sensitivity of 95.2%, a specificity of 93.8%, a PPV of 92.1%, an NPV of 96.2%, and an accuracy of 94.5% for the diagnosis of ROP. The area under the receiver operating characteristic curve (AUC-ROC) was 0.96, indicating excellent diagnostic accuracy.

Our study demonstrates that an AI algorithm based on a CNN can achieve high diagnostic accuracy for the diagnosis of ROP. The use of AI algorithms for the automated diagnosis of ROP has the potential to improve the efficiency and accuracy of ROP screening programs, particularly in resource-limited settings where access to ophthalmologists and specialized equipment may be limited.

Cervical cancer screening using deep learning for AVE

ARTICLE

An Observational Study of Deep Learning and Automated Evaluation of Cervical Images for Cancer Screening

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Follow up publication in cervical cancer highlighting some of the challenges

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DOI: 10.1002/ijc.33879		

SPECIAL REPORT



The development of "automated visual evaluation" for cervical cancer screening: The promise and challenges in adapting deep-learning for clinical testing

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2 | STEP-WISE CONSIDERATIONS FOR AI-BASED AVE

- 2.4 | Validation of the output of the algorithm
- 2.4.1 | Reproducibility of AVE
- 2.4.2 | Internal validity of AVE
- 2.4.3 | External validity (generalizability) of AVE and avoiding overfitting
- 2.4.4 | Device portability of AVE
- 2.4.6 | Risk prediction: "calibration" of AVE
- 2.4.7 | Predicting immediate vs future risk

> J Natl Cancer Inst. 2023 Sep 27;djad202. doi: 10.1093/jnci/djad202. Online ahead of print.

AI-based image analysis in clinical testing: lessons from cervical cancer screening



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PMID: 37758250 DOI: 10.1093/jnci/djad202



Lessons learned

- 1) Specify rigorously what the algorithm is designed to identify and what the test is intended to measure, e.g., screening, diagnostic, or prognostic.
- 2) Design the AI algorithm to minimize the most clinically important errors.
- 3) Evaluate AI algorithms like any other test, using clinical epidemiologic criteria.
- 4) Link the AI algorithm results to clinical risk estimation.
- 5) Generate risk-based guidelines for clinical use that match local resources and priorities.

Challenges in "real life" AI deployment

- Generalizability– models are brittle and do not generalize across scanners, populations, disease presentation
- Model predictions may not be repeatable!
- Gray zone" -many diseases lie on a spectrum, ratings are binary/ordinal
- Calibration- commonly used approaches for binary models can lead to poorly calibrated models
 - Silent failures models may fail without indication ("confidently wrong")
- Overfitting reported model performance can be over-optimistic
- Explainability
- Models can be biased (in hard to detect ways)

Deep learning models do not generalize well Only 6% of published AI studies have external validation (Kim et al., KJR, 2019)

Data heterogeneity can lead to poor model performance on external datasets.

Few FDA approved AI devices have been evaluated externally

How medical AI devices are evaluated: limitations and recommendations from an analysis of FDA approvals

A comprehensive overview of medical AI devices approved by the US Food and Drug Administration sheds new light on limitations of the evaluation process that can mask vulnerabilities of devices when they are deployed on patients.

Eric Wu, Kevin Wu, Roxana Daneshjou, David Ouyang, Daniel E. Ho and James Zou

Show Prospective Show High Risk

Show Multisite

Show Multisite Show Prospective Show High Risk

Al device approvals have increased in recent years, but multisite reporting and sample size has stagnated



https://ericwu09.github.io/medical-ai-evaluation/

Images acquired on different devices can be quite different



Xue et al, 2021 doi:10.1109/ cbms52027.2021.00085

"Portability challenges" in cervical cancer

ning set



Slide: KananDesai/Mark Schiffman 20

Increase data diversity

Multi-institutional databases

Out of distribution detection

Novel AI methods to improve generalization

Federated learning

Self-supervised learning

Curate multi-institutional or multi-scanner datasets

Consider ways in which "out-of-distribution" input may occur

- Different scanners
- Poor quality
- Wrong anatomy/modality/view
- Different demographics (e.g. pediatric)

Evaluate performance on unseen datasets

Continuous monitoring

Problem 2: DL Model predictions are not repeatable!



Little published literature on model repeatability/reproducibility

Many models are not repeatable when tested!.

Desai K et al. IJC 2021;

Lemay et

Problem 1: Test-retest repeatability can be an issue

<u>Challenge:</u> A replicate set of images from a woman during same examination with same device, yielded different results (lack of repeatability)





This issue

Desai K et al. IJC 2021;

≁ PAIR EXPLORABLES

From Confidently Incorrect Models to Humble Ensembles

Combining Models Reduces Overconfidence

By averaging the output of multiple models, a technique known as **ensembling**, we can create a model



Solution 1: Monte Carlo approaches may improve repeatability



(xray)

Lemay et

Curate datasets to evaluate repeatability/reproducibility

- If ethical, acquire test-retest datasets of the same patients
- If not, generate datasets with slight variations (e.g. flip image, rotate image slightly)

Problem 3: Real World is a Often a Continuous Spectrum



Campbell et al, Ophthalmology 2016;123:2338-44.





Problem 3 Diseases lie on a spectrum



FIGURE 3 The AVE classification categories are expected to be consonant with the four biological distinct stages in the natural history and pathogenesis of cervical cancer. Reprinted with permission from Schiffman et al²¹; Histopathology image source: Desai et al²⁰ [Color figure can be viewed at wileyonlinelibrary.com]

Not recognizing equivocal changes can lead to extreme mis-classifications and grave errors

Slide: Desai et

Problem 3: DL model may have extreme misclassifications/confidently wrong

<u>Challenge</u>: Distinguishing HPV related equivocal changes from precancer is challenging leading to **extreme misclassification** by binary AVE classifier

		Classification		
		Normal	Precancer+	
Ground	Normal	93.7%	6.3%	
Truth	Precancer+	33.6%	66.4%	

<u>Solution</u>: Adding equivocal class in training a three-class ordinal classifier reduced serious misclassification

		Classification		
		Normal	Equivoca l	Precancer+
Ground Truth	Normal	83.7%	13.4%	2.9%
	Equivocal	35.8%	30.2%	34%
	Precancer +	8.6%	11.4%	80%

Solution 3: Generate continuous output variables instead of binary values



Jayashree Kalpathy-Cramer 1.7







Generate datasets with multiple raters

Generate datasets along disease spectrum

Evaluate (binary) models on nuanced cases

Problem 4: Models may fail silently



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Solution 4: Bayesian DL approaches (Monte Carlo) may provide estimates of voxel and patient level uncertainty

Such





Linear regression model to predict the Dice score of a segmentation prediction (here test data set) from its uncertainty measures. The red line indicates the chosen cutoff for flagging of 0.8 and the red line the true decision boundary of 0.8.



Solution 4: Methods such as MC may improve calibration


Validation

Opinion Open Access Published: 24 February 2023

There is no such thing as a validated prediction model

Ben Van Calster, Ewout W. Steyerberg, Laure Wynants & Maarten van Smeden 🖂

BMC Medicine 21, Article number: 70 (2023) Cite this article

6781 Accesses 178 Altmetric Metrics

Reason 1: patient populations vary Reason 2: measurements of predictors or outcomes vary Reason 3: populations and measurements change over time https://bmcmedicine.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s12916-023-02779-w

Evaluate model calibration

Tabulate silent failures and confidently wrong predictions how often? Any defining characteristics?

Problem 5: Overfitting is a common problem in the literature

The literature is rife with over-optimistic reported performance, primarily due to a lack of statistical rigor.



Inconsistent Partitioning and Unproductive Feature Associations Yield Idealized Radiomic Models

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Solution 5: Best practices and statistical rigor throughout

Are the data repres entativ e of the popula tion of interes t?

Do the

Checklist before model deployment

- ✓ What is the reproducibility/ portability performance?
- ✓ What is repeatability (test-retest performance) of the model?
- ✓ Does the system have an "out of distribution" detector?
- ✓ How well is the model calibrated?
- ✓ How often does the model make grave errors? Is the model confidently

wrong?

- ✓ Is the model explainable?
- ✓ Is the model biased? Fair?

✓ What is the continuous monitoring plan?

Thanks!!!





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Deep Learning in Oncological Imaging



Segmentation (delineation of object boundary) is often used in oncology and radiation oncology

Quantifying tumor burden at a single time point and longitudinally

Contouring of tumors and organs at risk is key in radiation therapy planning







Tumor volume measurements agree with experts

FLAIR Hyperintensity



Manual



25000

0

50000

Manual Volume (mm³)

Enhancing Tumor



Chang*, Beers*, Bai* et al., Neuro-Oncology (2019) 46

75000 100000 125000

Response Assessment: Is the patient responding to therapy?



Response Assessment in Neuro-Oncology (RANO) Changes in bi-directional measurement of enhancing tumor

Wen et al., JCO (2010) Reuter et al., J Neurooncol (2014)

The step-by-step approach

- 1) Find the axial slice with largest tumor area
- 2) Find the largest measurable* diameter, excluding necrosis and blood
- 3) Find the largest measurable* perpendicular diameter
- 4) Multiply diameters
- 5) Repeat for up to 5 lesions and sum

Sounds easy enough!

Done visually

Depending on how you call necrosis/blood, tumor may or may not be measurable

Help! The tumor is an odd shape



Compounding of any variability in 1-4

Moderate agreement between clinicians



Why not just use volume?

Bi-directional measurements are easier than volume measurements (less time)!

Slide: Ken Chang

AutoRANO

- Use the axial slice with the largest area (actually!)
- Because we use automatic segmentations, can consistently exclude blood and necrosis
- Diameters can exit segmentation for up to 10% of its length (to account for small holes)





A "virtual" biopsy

No Mutation

FLAIR T2 T1 Contrast T1





Opportunistic Screening



nature medicine

Article

https://doi.org/10.1038/s41591-023-02232-8

Body composition and lung cancer-associated cachexia in TRACERx

Review

Role of Machine Learning-Based CT Body Composition in Risk Prediction and Prognostication: Current State and Future Directions

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Reyes et al, Rad-AI 2020

Shortcut learning in deep neural networks

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	SP SOUL			Paragraph: "Poython Manning became the first quarterback ever to lead two different teams to multiple Super Bowls. He is also the oldest quarterback ever to play in a Super Bowl at age 39. The past record was held by John Elway, who led the Bronces to victory in Super Bowl XXXII at age 38 and is currently Denver's Executive Vice President of Football Operations and General Manager. Quarterback John Denver had a jercey number 37 in Champ Bowl XXXIV.	
				Question: "What is the name of the quarterback who was 38 in Super Bowl XXXIII?"	
	the second s		and the second	Original prediction: John Elway	
	a start the start		and the second second second	Prediction under adversary: Jeff Dean	
	Shane 2018		Zech 2018	Jia 2017	
Task for DNN	Caption image	Recognize object	Recognize pneumonia	Answer question	
Problem	Describes green hillside as grazing sheep	Hallucinates teapot if certain patterns are present	Fails on scans from new hospitals	Changes answer if irrelevant information is added	
Shortcut	Uses background to recognize primary object	Uses features unrecognizable to humans	Looks at hospital token, not lung	Only looks at last sentence and ignores context	

Fig. 1 | Examples of shortcut learning. Deep neural networks often solve problems by taking shortcuts instead of learning the intended solution, leading to a lack of generalization and unintuitive failures. This pattern can be observed in many real-world applications. Figure adapted with permission from ref. ¹⁴, AI Weirdness (left); ref. ¹⁷, PLOS (third from left).

Problem 6: Deep learning models can be black-boxes



Stop explaining black box machine learning models for high stakes decisions and use interpretable models instead The T

The Mythos of Model Interpretability

Cynthia Rudin 💿

Zachary C. Lipton¹

The false hope of current approaches to explainable artificial intelligence in health care

Marzyeh Ghassemi, Luke Oakden-Rayner, Andrew L Beam

Solution: Create models that are inherently more explainable

Classificat ion task:



Detection task:



Segmenta tion task:



Classificat ion tasks can be easiest to annotate for (can

Problem 6: Evaluation plan

FAIL



Algorithmic bias in medical image analysis

Toward fairness in artificial intelligence for medical image analysis: identification and mitigation of potential biases in the roadmap from data collection to model deployment

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Problem 7: Machine learning models may be biased



NEWS · 24 OCTOBER 2019 · UPDATE 26 OCTOBER 2019

Millions of black people affected by racial bias in health-care algorithms

Study reveals rampant racism in decision-making software used by US hospitals – and highlights ways to correct it.

ECONOMICS

Dissecting racial bias in an algorithm used to manage the health of populations

Ziad Obermeyer^{1,2}*, Brian Powers³, Christine Vogeli⁴, Sendhil Mullainathan⁵*†

Problem 7: Potential Harm in the use of AI

AI-Driven Dermatology Could Leave Dark-Skinned Patients Behind

Machine learning has the potential to save thousands of people from skin cancer each year—while putting others at greater risk.



Racial Bias in Pulse Oximetry Measurement

https://www.theatlantic.com/health/archive/2018/08/machine-learning-dermatology-skin-color/567619/

https://www.nejm.org/doi/10.1056/NEJMc2029240

Problem 7: Models may be biased without us recognizing it!!!!

- Learn to predict <u>self-reported racial</u> identity in medical images
- "models can be trained to predict race from medical images with high performance ...x-ray imaging ...AUC range 0.91–0.99"
- "Despite many attempts, we couldn't work out what it learns or how it does it. It didn't seem to rely on obvious confounders, nor did it rely on a limited anatomical region or portion of the image spectrum."

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Al recognition of patient race in medical imaging: a modelling study

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Check for updates



https://laurenoakdenrayner.com/2021/08/02/ai-has-the-worstsuperpower-medical-racism/

Problem 7: AI can be biased in ways that are hard to identify

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Original Investigation

May 4, 2023

Association of Biomarker-Based Artificial Intelligence With Risk of Racial Bias in Retinal Images

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JAMA Ophthalmol. 2023;141(6):543-552. doi:10.1001/jamaophthalmol.2023.1310



IMAGE TYPE	AUC-PR (image level)	AUC-ROC (image level)	AUC-PR (subject level)	AUC-ROC (subject level)		
$PIV \geq 0$						
Color RFI	0.999	0.999	1.000	1.000		
Grayscale RVM	0.938	0.959	0.995	0.995		
Binarized RVM	0.960	0.974	0.999	0.999		
Skeletonized RVM	0.882	0.944	0.980	0.990		



https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamaophthalmology/article-abstract/2804442

Problem 7: Many datasets used to create AI lack diversity

September 22/29, 2020

Geographic Distribution of US Cohorts Used to Train Deep Learning Algorithms

Amit Kaushal, MD, PhD¹; Russ Altman, MD, PhD¹; Curt Langlotz, MD, PhD²

"In clinical applications of deep learning across multiple disciplines, algorithms trained on US patient data were disproportionately trained on cohorts from California, Massachusetts, and New York, with little to no representation from the remaining 47 states."

What is Fairness?

- *Fairness* is judged against set of ethical and legal principles, which can change over time and vary between groups, cultures, countries
- Fairness usually considered on an individual or group level
 - Individual fairness similar individuals treated similarly
 - Group fairness different groups treated equally
- To quantify unfairness, several mathematical definitions of fairness exist



Achieving Fairness can be challenging





Solution 7: Increase diversity of datasets, measure in all populations



Evaluation model performance in sub-populations

Evaluate failure cases to better understand sub-populations to study

Study if "shortcut learning" is occuring

Does AI have super-human capabilities?

Article | Published: 19 February 2018

Prediction of cardiovascular risk factors from retinal fundus photographs via deep learning

Ryan Poplin, Avinash V. Varadarajan, Katy Blumer, Yun Liu, Michael V. McConnell, Greg S. Corrado, Lily Peng 🗠 & Dale R. Webster

Nature Biomedical Engineering 2, 158–164 (2018) Cite this article 22k Accesses 653 Citations 2388 Altmetric Metrics

Predicting sex from retinal fundus photographs using automated deep learning

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Predicting risk of breast cancer at one to five years from the mammogram.

ORIGINAL REPORTS Breast Cancer

Multi-Institutional Validation of a Mammography-Based Breast Cancer Risk Model

Check for updates

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Retinal microvasculature dysfunction is associated with Alzheimer's disease and mild cognitive impairment

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Superhuman + risk of bias + not transparent -> need for vigilance?

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Not Color Blind: AI Predicts Racial Identity from Black and White Retinal Vessel Segmentations

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Surprisingly:

Grayscale Retinal Vessel Maps Contain Information Associated with Self-Reported Race



Grayscale Retinal Vessel Maps Are Associated with Self-Reported Race

Implications for Artificial Intelligence Models



Just hear me out...

Tom Yankeelov The University of Texas at Austin 2 October 2023

Building a mechanism-based model




Building a mechanism-based model



\rightarrow Now need to account for spatial variations in tumor growth

Reactiondiffusion equation $\begin{cases} \frac{\partial N}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot (D\nabla N) + kN \left(1 - \frac{N}{\theta}\right) \\ \frac{\partial N}{\partial t} = \nabla \cdot (D\nabla N) + kN \left(1 - \frac{N}{\theta}\right) \end{cases}$

Carrying capacity

size

Building a mechanism-based model

 \rightarrow And if we include the effects of therapy:

$$\frac{\partial N(x,t)}{\partial t} = \left(\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{Movement} \\ \mathbf{N}(x,t) \\$$

So, what do we do with this model?

Jarrett et al., Nature Protocols, 2021



Just as satellites provide the data for weather forecasting, quantitative imaging data can provide the data for tumor forecasting.



Yankeelov, Quaranta, Evans, Rericha. Cancer Research, 2015

Applying a mechanism-based model



Mechanism-based models enable patient specific predictions



AUC = 0.89(*n* = 50)

→ We are getting pretty good at predicting the spatial and temporal development of these breast tumors in the neoadjuvant setting...

... with similar results for prostate cancer...



Guillermo Lorenzo, et al.

... and for brain cancer

Cases



Low

High



David Hormuth, et al.

I know what you are thinking

"Why did you drag me through all that math...

... isn't AI/Big Data just going to figure it all out?"

AI & Big Data... because who needs science?

• **Study goal:** Establish radiomics prediction models based on MRI for predicting recurrence of TNBC patients (n = 147) after NAT



 \rightarrow 102 radiomics features were extracted and three models built based on:

1) pre-NAT MRI features..... 0.812) post-NAT MRI features..... 0.803) pre- and post-NAT MRI features..... 0.93

Problem solved, right?

Well...

Let's contrast this with a mechanism-based approach

Digital twin for predicting/optimizing treatment response

Physical state, S_i

Anatomy & morphology, mechanical & physiological state



Digital state, D_i

Domain: FE mesh, boundary conditions Parameters: tumor dynamics, mechanics Inputs: treatment regimens



Wu, Lorenzo, Hormuth, Lima, et al. Biophysics Rev, 2022.

Observational data, O_i

Anatomy, perfusion, permeability, cell density, metabolism



Quantities of interest, Q_i

Distribution of therapies, tumor shape, cell density



Control inputs, U_i

MRI studies Biopsies Optimize treatment



Rewards, R_i

Outcomes; e.g., treatment efficacy & toxicity



Digital asset

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Digital twin for predicting/optimizing treatment response

Want to not just make predictions; want to optimize outcomes



→ This formalism allows you to identify treatment protocols that balance treatment efficacy and safety

Chengyue Wu, et al. IEEE-TMI, 2020; IEEE TBME, 2022.

Digital twin for predicting/optimizing treatment response



You cannot do this with AI/Big Data only approach Must have a mechanism-based model

Chengyue Wu, et al. SABCS 2023.

Let's take a deeper dive into deep learning to see why...

Quick peek into the guts of DL

• Building block of DL is the "perceptron"; it takes some input data and maps it to output:



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• So this is what you do with this thing:



 \rightarrow And you try to minimize something like the following by getting the best set of weights:

$$J(W) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - f(x_{i'}w))^2$$

Predicted = \hat{y}_i

 \rightarrow We need LOTS of data to "train" the DL model; i.e., to calibrate the w's

 \rightarrow The "deeper" the neural network, the more data you need to train the network

But that training set does not exist for a host of problems...

In fact, we have already thrown AI/Big Data at cancer...



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Is there another way forward?

Linking mechanism-based and data-based modeling

V1



Measured 2e6 Model Network 0 $\times 10^{9}$ →V3) Median across cross val. Range across cross val. -0.5 Network Acellularity (V1 -2.5 -4.0 CCC=0.95 -4.0 -2.5 -0.5 ×109 Measured \triangle cellularity (V1 \rightarrow v3)

V2

V3

Cellularity

Casey Stowers, et al. SABCS 2023.

A Plea

- Statistical inference—though, enormously powerful—relies on properties of large populations that obscure conditions specific to the individual
- High-consequence decisions (e.g., those in oncology) must be based on more than just data analytics
 - → These decisions must incorporate biophysical processes that can be calibrated with patient-specific data to make patient-specific predictions

If you want to design something that is useful for an individual human being, you must rely on that human being's unique characteristics

• So, build your neural networks if you must...

... but please don't forget about F = ma

Thank you very much for your time and attention.

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